



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: David A. Daugherty
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Group No.: 3743
Examiner: Camtu Tran Nguyen
Title: **VACUUM SPLINT DEVICE**

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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed March 21, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments thereto, and the comments as set forth below. Please amend the application as follows:

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